

to the qualified voters of such village, town or city for their approval or rejection at an election to be held for that purpose, and providing that such special charter shall be ratified at such election by a majority of the qualified voters participating or voting at such election before such charter can go into effect."

The bill was read a third time, and passed by the following vote:

## Yeas—14.

Atlee.	Lloyd.
Burns.	McGee.
Davidson.	Odell.
Gough.	Ross.
Johnson.	Stafford.
Kerr.	Stone.
Linn.	Yett.

## Nays—7.

Dibrell.	Hanger.
Goss.	James.
Greer.	Morriss.
Grinnan.	

## Present—Not voting.

Miller.	Sebastian.
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## Absent.

Lewis.	Turney.
Neal.	Wayland.
Patterson.	Yantis.
Terrell.	

## Absent—Excused.

Potter.

Senator Odell moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and to lay that motion on the table.

Carried by the following vote:

## Yeas—13.

Atlee.	Lloyd.
Burns.	McGee.
Davidson.	Odell.
Gough.	Ross.
Johnson.	Stafford.
Kerr.	Stone.
Linn.	

## Nays—8.

Dibrell.	Hanger.
Goss.	James.
Greer.	Sebastian.
Grinnan.	Yett.

## Present—Not voting.

Miller.

## Absent.

Lewis.	Terrell.
Morriss.	Turney.
Neal.	Wayland.
Patterson.	Yantis.

## Absent—Excused.

Potter.

"I vote 'no' on Senate bill No. 182 because I do not believe the bill constitutional, and under Section 3, Article 4, of the Constitution, it is doubtful who would be qualified voters under said bill.

"GRINNAN."

(Lieutenant-Governor Browning in the chair.)

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading,

Senate bill No. 197, A bill to be entitled "An Act to appropriate \$15,000 (fifteen thousand dollars) to build and maintain an orphans' home for colored children at Corsicana, Texas, and for the purchase of one hundred acres of land; to provide for the appointment of a board of managers, superintendent and matron for said home, and to define their duties."

The bill was read a third time, and,

On motion of Senator Johnson, postponed until Tuesday, next.

Senator Miller moved that the Senate take a recess until 3 p. m. today.

Senator Wayland moved that the Senate adjourn until 10 a. m. tomorrow.

The Senate adjourned until 10 a. m. tomorrow.

## SEVENTY-FOURTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,  
Austin, Texas, Wednesday, April 26, 1899.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Lieutenant-Governor Browning in the chair.

Roll called. Quorum present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Atlee.	McGee.
Burns.	Miller.
Davidson.	Morriss.
Dibrell.	Neal.
Greer.	Odell.
Grinnan.	Ross.
Hanger.	Sebastian.
James.	Stafford.
Johnson.	Stone.
Kerr.	Turney.
Linn.	Wayland.
Lloyd.	Yett.

## Absent.

Goss.	Patterson.
Gough.	Terrell.
Lewis.	Yantis.

## Absent—Excused.

Potter.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. Dr. Denson.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday,

On motion of Senator Miller, the same was dispensed with.

#### PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Senator Neal:

Memorial from the citizens of Navasota, Grimes county, protesting against the passage of the anti-trust bill.

By Senator Sebastian:

(Letter relating to anti-trust bill.)

Eastland, Texas, April 25, 1899.

*To Senator Sebastian, Austin, Texas.*

SIR: I have made extended observations of the desire of your constituents relative to what is styled as the anti-trust bill, now being considered by your body, and they stand ten to one in favor of the bill as reported at first.

The people are willing to give time to the insurance companies to adjust their business, and would willingly want bill to be effective January 1, 1900, but they are almost to a man opposed to anything less than this.

It is political suicide to go against the people in this representative form of government.

The insurance people with money and other powerful influences at their command, are making a great show, which I hope you will be able to see, but our platform at Galveston on which our Legislature was elected should be carried out, because it was right when made, and it is right now.

I do not know your individual opinion about this, but I do know your constituents almost to a man want the bill as reported, so let me ask you to so vote.

Your friend,

R. L. RAMSAY.

By Senator Johnson:

Resolution from democrats of East Navarro, to-wit:

Kerens, Texas, April 25, 1899.

*To Senator Johnson, Austin, Texas.*

SIR: Whereas, the introduction of what is known as the Arkansas anti-trust law into the Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Texas, has caused agitation and protest from many sections of the State; and,

Whereas. We believe the passage of said law is in keeping with democratic principles and in obedience to the demands of the democratic platform.

It is therefore the voice and wish of the democrats of East Navarro that you stand by the democratic platform on this measure.

Respectfully,

J. C. TOUCHSTONE,

W. S. PRICE,

Secretary.

Chairman.

By Senator Davidson:

Victoria, Texas, April 24, 1899.

*To Senator Davidson, Austin, Texas.*

SIR: This past week I attended the district court in Refugio, and on my return I learned that there had been a considerable stir in our city over the anti-trust law which is now pending before the Legislature, and that some telegrams had been sent to you protesting against the passage of the bill. The contents of those telegrams were unknown to me, neither do I know who got them up; but from your reply, which was published in the Victoria Advocate, I presume a telegram was sent you in the name of the Victoria board of trade. I am the chairman of the Legislative Committee of the Board of Trade, and I wish to assure you that I did not have anything to do with the sending of the telegram; I presume the party who sent it, did it in good faith, and thought he was expressing the sentiments of the association, and I am not prepared to say that the telegram did not express the wish of the association collectively, but I will say that it did not express my opinion or wish. I am decidedly in favor of any act which will check and prevent trusts or combines, and if I was in a position to act, I would do so regardless of any threat to withdraw from the State. If the insurance companies now operating in the State want to withdraw, let them go, others will take their place. The people of Texas cannot afford to surrender their rights to any corporation. In my humble judgment it would be better in the long run for the people to be without insurance for a while, than to surrender to the demands of these corporations. I have not read a full text of the bill, but I would endorse it, for on this line I am a radical, and as was said by Patrick Henry, "Live or die, survive or perish, I give my hand and my heart to this vote." I trust you will be able to get support sufficient in both houses to pass the bill, and that the Governor will not hesitate to sign it.

I am your friend,

C. F. CARSNER.

(Resolutions by mass meeting of citizens of Kennedy, Karnes county.)

A mass meeting of citizens of Kennedy, Karnes county, was held on April 24, 1899, when the following proceedings were had, to-wit: T. J. Belcher, Esq., was called to the chair, and J. H. Borroum elected secretary, when the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, A bill is now pending before our Legislature, known as the anti-trust bill, to prevent the formation of trusts

by persons doing business in Texas, and to punish persons so engaging; and,

Whereas, We view with alarm the formation of trusts, as being dangerous and detrimental to the interest of a free people, and calculated to prevent and destroy the prosperity and happiness of the people; therefore, be it

Resolved, First, that we hereby endorse and ratify the actions of our Senator, Hon. A. B. Davidson, and Representative, Hon. W. O. Murray, in supporting and advocating the said anti-trust bill.

Resolved, Second, that we favor the said anti-trust bill without the amendments offered thereto, and that our Senator, Hon. A. B. Davidson, and Representative, Hon. W. O. Murray, be requested to support said bill and use their best exertions to have the bill become a law.

Resolved, Third, That a copy of each of these resolutions be sent to Hons. A. B. Davidson and W. O. Murray, and a copy be furnished the Kennedy Advance, with request that same be published. On motion, the meeting adjourned.

T. J. BELCHER,  
Chairman.

J. H. BORBOUM,  
Secretary.

By Senator Miller:

(Letters.)

Dallas, Texas, April 24, 1899.

*To Senator Miller, Austin, Texas.*

SIR: In the Dallas News, Monday morning, appears some resolutions purporting to be from the Trades Council on the anti-trust bill. While these resolutions were considered by the legislative committee, yet a part of the committee desired to recall them, yet they were given to the News before that could be done.

The Dallas Trades Council has taken no action on the anti-trust bills, nor has any of the actions by some of the other local organizations been representative. A few men have tried to shape their policy. From my knowledge of the labor organizations, they favor the anti-trust bills. Those who have taken the present action have done so, not because they are against the present proposed legislation, but because they have been led to believe that the bill might be construed into inflicting its penalties upon labor organizations. I have read the bill, and I do not see how it could be made to apply to labor organizations. However, if an amendment was made exempting them it would remove all agitation or opposition to the anti-trust bill on the part of organized labor, since they base their opposition wholly on that ground.

I am chairman of the committee on

legislation, of the Dallas Trades Council, and if the resolutions are forwarded to you, it is not with the approval of the Trades Council, nor does it represent the will of the committee, as I notified the proper parties that I would not sign them nor should they be sent to Austin with my signature or consent, and a majority of the committee is of the same opinion.

The resolutions purporting to come from labor organizations were principally prepared in a law office here, and I do not consider they reflect the will of a majority of the members.

Most respectfully,

O. A. EYLAR,  
Chairman Legislative Com.  
Trades Council of Dallas.

Dallas, Texas, April 24, 1899.

*To Senator Miller, Austin, Texas.*

SIR: Received your telegram this morning, and will say in reply that my action up to date is unofficial, and my signature was secured to the resolutions which are now in Austin, and which were also published in Dallas News of 23rd inst., under the following circumstances: Last Monday or Tuesday Holsombock rang me up and told me there would be a called meeting of the K. of L. that afternoon; that Cordon was there and wanted to talk to the boys. I informed Holsombock it was impossible for me to quit my work and preside at the meeting before 5:15; that was agreed to. At 5 o'clock Holsombock and Cordon came over to my office with a set of resolutions, which our representatives have at Austin and which you have no doubt read, and informed me they were adopted at the meeting. I asked what meeting, and at the same time informing Holsombock that no meeting was legal, and the resolutions without weight without my presence as Master Workman. He told me it was an informal meeting, and he and Cordon plead for my signature. I told them I had not informed myself upon the anti-trust bill pending. They informed me it would suppress all labor organizations in the State; would drive all insurance companies from our borders, and loan companies would foreclose upon hundreds of workingmen who had secured money upon their homes. I told them that if these were facts, I would sign resolutions, and hold them responsible for the accuracy of their statements. I have since learned that Cordon is attorney for the insurance people, and have about come to the conclusion the working people are being worked to the queen's taste. Holsombock attempted to call the trade's council together Saturday night, but

made a failure. They met yesterday, but I think the attendance was small. The informal meeting of the K. of L. was very small, not over five or six being present, if that many, and they were not a unit. All the laboring people want or can ask, is that trusts be suppressed without interfering with labor organizations, and that they be protected from the greed and avarice of loan companies. Barry, you know what we want and what we are entitled to, and just pull straight ahead and give the trusts Hail Columbia, and the boys will receive you with open arms.

Your friend,

FRANK R. SHANKS.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, April 21, 1899.

*Hon. Jas. N. Browning, President of the Senate.*

SIR: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 320, being a bill to be entitled "An Act requiring the county commissioners court of any county or city council of any incorporated city or town in the State to submit propositions for the issuance of bonds to a vote of the qualified tax-payers of such county or incorporated city or town, and to repeal the provisions of all city and town charters in conflict herewith,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.

JAMES, Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, April 24, 1899.

*Hon. Jas. N. Browning, President of the Senate.*

SIR: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 313, being a bill to be entitled "An Act to extend for twenty years the payment of the principal of the purchase money for lands purchased under the Act of the Legislature therein named,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.

JAMES, Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, April 24, 1899.

*Hon. Jas. N. Browning, President of the Senate.*

SIR: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 220, being a bill to be entitled "An Act to punish any person who shall knowingly purchase for an-

other or sell any spirituous, vinous or malt liquors or medicated bitters capable of producing intoxication,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.

JAMES, Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, April 21, 1899.

*Hon. Jas. N. Browning, President of the Senate.*

SIR: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 238, being a bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 4, Title XVIII, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas of 1895, by adding after Article 418 Article 418a, empowering cities and towns incorporated under the general law and by special charter to condemn private property for use in laying water pipes and mains, establishment of public wells pumps and pumping stations and reservoirs, providing a method for such condemnation and declaring an emergency,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.

JAMES, Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, April 25, 1899.

*Hon. Jas. N. Browning, President of the Senate.*

SIR: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 337, being a bill to be entitled "An Act to consolidate Soule University of Chappell Hill, Washington county, Texas, and Chappell Hill Female College of the same place, to incorporate the latter, and define its powers,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.

JAMES, Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, April 26, 1899.

*Hon. Jas. N. Browning, President of the Senate.*

SIR: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 327, being a bill to be entitled "An Act to incorporate the city of Fort Worth, and to grant a new charter to said city,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.

JAMES, Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, April 26, 1899.

*Hon. Jas. N. Browning, President of the Senate.*

SIR: Your Committee on Engrossed

Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 334, being a bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the St. Louis Southwestern Railway Company of Texas to purchase, own and operate a railway extending from a point in or near the town of Tyler, in Smith county, to a point in or near the town of Lufkin, in Angelina county, with its franchises and appurtenances, known as the Tyler Southeastern Railway, and to authorize the Tyler Southeastern Railway Company and the owners thereof to sell the same, and to authorize the St. Louis Southwestern Railway Company of Texas to assume the payment of the indebtedness of the Tyler Southeastern Railway Company, and to own and operate the property so purchased,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.  
JAMES, Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, April 24, 1899.

*Hon. Jas. N. Browning, President of the Senate.*

SIR: Your Committee on Public Lands and Land Office, to whom was referred

House Committee Substitute bill for Senate bill No. 222, being a bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the Commissioner of the General Land Office to appoint two State land agents, prescribing their duty, fixing their salaries, making an appropriation therefor; providing for the recovery for the depredation upon timber and for the use or occupancy without lawful authority, and to prevent the free use and unlawful enclosure of any of the public lands owned or held in trust by the State for any purpose whatever, and creating an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it *do pass*.

JAMES, Acting Chairman.

#### BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

By Senator Linn:

Senate bill No. 339, A bill to be entitled "An Act to give surviving partner or partners the right to manage and close up partnership business, and to require surviving partner or partners to file an inventory of the partnership property, and to execute a bond for the faithful performance of his duty, and to declare an emergency."

Read first time, and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

By Senator Linn:

Senate bill No. 340, A bill to be entitled "An Act to protect wild game in the State, and to prevent the sale of same in certain seasons by any person, firm, corporation, restaurant, hotel or boarding house, and to prescribe a penalty for the violation of this act."

Read first time, and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 2.

By Senator Dibrell:

Senate bill No. 341, A bill to be entitled "An Act making a supplementary appropriation for the per diem pay of members, officers and employes of the Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Texas."

Read first time, and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Call concluded.

#### HOUSE MESSAGE.

The following message from the House was received:

Hall of the House of Representatives,  
Austin, Texas, April 26, 1899.

*Hon. Jas. N. Browning, President of the Senate.*

I am directed by the House to inform the Senate of the passage of the following bills:

Substitute House bill No. 497, A bill to be entitled "An Act to define and regulate fraternal beneficiary societies, orders or associations; to prescribe the terms and conditions on which such societies organized under the laws of other States, or those doing business in other States, may be permitted to do business in Texas, and to define the duties of the Commissioner of Insurance of this State in relation thereto; providing for the incorporation of such societies, and declaring an emergency."

Also the House has passed House Concurrent Resolution No. 51, requesting the return of House bill No. 444, now in the hands of the Governor, for the purpose of passing an amendment thereto.

Also the House has granted the request of the Senate for a Free Conference Committee on Substitute Senate bill No. 68, and has appointed the following as said committee: Messrs. Bailey, Willacy, Walton, Wright and Jones.

Also House bill No. 719, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 2941, 2945, 2946, 2948 and 2949, Title LIV, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, and to repeal Articles 2942, 2943, 2944, 2947 and 2950, Title LIV, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, so as to place the House of Correction and Reformatory under the management and control of the Governor and

Board of Penitentiary Commissioners of the State of Texas; to repeal all laws in conflict with the provisions of this act, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully,

LEE J. ROUNTREE,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

#### IN SENATE.

The above reported House bills were read first time, and referred as follows:

Substitute House bill No. 497 to the Committee on Insurance, Statistics and History.

House bill No. 719 to Judiciary Committee No. 2.

#### HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 51.

The Chair laid before the Senate House Concurrent Resolution No. 51, to wit:

House Concurrent Resolution No. 51:

Whereas, House bill No. 444, providing a more efficient road system for Liberty county, and now in the hands of the Governor, contains an objectionable feature, relating to the issuance of bonds of said county; therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the Governor be and he is hereby requested to return House bill No. 444 until the proper amendments to same can be passed.

The resolution was read, and adopted.

The Chair then laid before the Senate, on third reading,

House bill No. 107 (humane treatment to animals bill).

The bill was read a third time.

Pending action on final passage, Senator Miller moved to lay the bill on the table subject to call.

Senator Davidson moved as a substitute to postpone further consideration of the bill till Wednesday of next week.

No quorum, the following Senators voting:

Yeas—6.

Davidson.

Odell.

Greer.

Sebastian.

Hanger.

Wayland.

Nays—8.

Atlee.

Lloyd.

Burns.

Miller.

Grinnan.

Stone.

Kerr.

Yett.

Absent.

Dibrell.

Linn.

Goss.

McGee.

Gough.

Morriss.

James.

Neal.

Lewis.

Patterson.

Ross.  
Stafford.  
Terrell.

Turney.  
Yantis.

Absent—Excused.

Potter.

Senator Sebastian moved to adjourn until 10 a. m. tomorrow.

Lost.

Senator Burns moved a call of the Senate for the purpose of securing a quorum, which was ordered, the following Senators answering to their names:

Atlee.  
Burns.  
Davidson.  
Dibrell.  
Greer.  
Grinnan.  
Hanger.  
James.  
Kerr.  
Linn.  
Lloyd.

McGee.  
Miller.  
Morriss.  
Odell.  
Ross.  
Sebastian.  
Stafford.  
Stone.  
Turney.  
Wayland.  
Yett.

Absent.

Goss.  
Gough.  
Johnson.  
Lewis.

Neal.  
Patterson.  
Terrell.  
Yantis.

Absent—Excused.

Potter.

Quorum announced present.

Senator Davidson's motion was then

Lost.

Pending action on Senator Miller's motion,

Senator Turney moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Lost by the following vote:

Yeas—7.

Davidson.  
Greer.  
Hanger.  
Linn.

Odell.  
Ross.  
Turney.

Nays—14.

Atlee.  
Burns.  
Dibrell.  
Grinnan.  
James.  
Kerr.  
Lloyd.

McGee.  
Miller.  
Morriss.  
Sebastian.  
Stafford.  
Stone.  
Yett.

Present—Not voting.

Wayland.

Absent.

Goss.  
Gough.  
Johnson.  
Lewis.

Neal.  
Patterson.  
Terrell.  
Yantis.

Absent—Excused.

Potter.

Action then recurring on Senator Miller's motion to lay the bill on the table subject to call, Senator Miller withdrew same.

By Senator Greer:

"Add to Section 1 the following: 'In connection with each humane lesson taught the pupils the teacher shall teach the pupils the following humane sentiment:

"No flocks that range the mountain free,  
To slaughter I condemn,  
Taught by the power that pities me,  
I learn to pity them."  
—*"Goldsmith."*

Lost.

By Senator Odell:

"Amend by striking out all after the word 'week,' in line 27, in Section 1."

Adopted.

By Senator Davidson:

"Amend page 1, line 30, by adding, 'and the School Book Commission of the State of Texas shall not adopt any system of books to be used in the free schools of Texas in connection with the teaching of humane treatment of animals.'"

By Senator Odell:

"Substitute for the amendment:

"Amend Section 1 by adding the following, 'provided, that the lesson herein provided for shall be an oral lesson, and the teacher shall not teach the same from any school text-book.'"

Senator Burns moved to table the amendment.

Carried.

Senator Davidson's amendment was then adopted.

By Senator Terrell:

"Amend by striking out the words 'per week,' line 27, page 1."

Adopted.

The bill as amended was then passed by the following vote:

Yeas—16.

Atlee.	Lloyd.
Burns.	McGee.
Dibrell.	Miller.
Goss.	Morriss.
Grinnan.	Sebastian.
James.	Stone.
Kerr.	Terrell.
Linn.	Yett.

Nays—5.

Davidson.	Ross.
Greer.	Turney.
Odell.	

Present—Not voting.

Wayland.

Absent.

Lewis.	Patterson.
Neal.	Yantis.

Absent—Excused.

Potter.

Senator Burns moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and to lay that motion on the table.

Tabled.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading,

House bill No. 402, A bill to be entitled "An Act granting to the city of Austin a block of land within said city for public free school purposes."

The bill was read a third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—14.

Atlee.	Morriss.
Burns.	Sebastian.
Dibrell.	Stone.
Goss.	Terrell.
Greer.	Turney.
James.	Wayland.
McGee.	Yett.

Nays—7.

Davidson.	Lloyd.
Grinnan.	Odell.
Kerr.	Ross.
Linn.	

Absent.

Gough.	Neal.
Hanger.	Patterson.
Johnson.	Stafford.
Lewis.	Yantis.
Miller.	

Absent—Excused.

Potter.

Senator Yett moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and to lay that motion on the table.

Tabled.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading,

House bill No. 742, A bill to be entitled "An Act to diminish the civil and criminal jurisdiction of the County Court of Coke county, and to conform the jurisdiction of the district court of said county to such change."

The bill was read a third time, and passed.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

Substitute House bill Nos. 160, 501 and 574, A bill to be entitled "An Act to carry into effect the amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing that aid may be granted to disabled and dependent Confederate soldiers, sailors and their widows, under certain

conditions, and to make an appropriation therefor."

The bill was read a second time, with committee amendments (see Journal of April 19th.)

Pending action on the adoption of the committee amendments,

Senator Wayland moved that consideration of the bill be postponed until tomorrow after call, and be made special order for that hour, and that the bill be reprinted, so as to show the committee amendments (all amendments) in their proper places as proposed.

So ordered.

Senator Miller moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up, on second reading,

House bill No. 323, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create and establish an industrial institute and college in the State of Texas for the education of white girls in the arts and sciences."

Lost by the following vote:

Yeas—7.

Burns.	Miller.
Dibrell.	Stafford.
Hanger.	Wayland.
McGee.	

Nays—15.

Atlee.	Morriss.
Davidson.	Odell.
Goss.	Ross.
Greer.	Sebastian.
Grinnan.	Terrell.
James.	Turney.
Kerr.	Yett.
Lloyd.	

Absent.

Gough.	Neal.
Johnson.	Patterson.
Lewis.	Stone.
Linn.	Yantis.

Absent—Excused.

Potter.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

House bill No. 300, A bill to be entitled "An Act to quiet titles to lands located and surveyed by virtue of land certificates granted under the Act of the Legislature of the State of Texas, entitled 'An Act granting to persons who have been permanently disabled by reason of wounds received while in the service of this State or the Confederate States, a land certificate for twelve hundred and eighty acres of land,' approved April 9, 1881, and to validate such location and surveys."

The bill was read a second time.

Pending action on engrossment,

On motion of Senator Goss, further

consideration of same was postponed until tomorrow.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

House bill No. 323 (see caption above).

The bill was read a second time, and on motion of Senator Miller, laid on the table subject to call.

#### COMMITTEE REPORT.

By unanimous consent, the following report was sent up:

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, April 26, 1899.

*Hon. Jas. N. Browning, President of the Senate.*

SIR: Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 339, being a bill to be entitled "An Act to give surviving partner or partners the right to manage and close up partnership business, and to require surviving partner or partners to file an inventory of the partnership property, and to execute a bond for the faithful performance of his duty, and to declare an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it *do pass*.

ATLEE, Chairman.

On motion of Senator Kerr, the Senate adjourned until 10 a. m. tomorrow.

#### SEVENTY-FIFTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,

Austin Texas, Thursday, April 27, 1899.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Lieutenant-Governor Browning in the chair.

Roll called. Quorum present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Atlee.	Miller.
Burns.	Morriss.
Davidson.	Neal.
Dibrell.	Odell.
Gough.	Ross.
Greer.	Sebastian.
Grinnan.	Stafford.
Hanger.	Stone.
James.	Terrell.
Johnson.	Turney.
Kerr.	Wayland.
Lloyd.	Yett.
McGee.	

Absent.

Goss.	Patterson.
Lewis.	Yantis.
Linn.	

Absent—Excused.

Potter.